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VERIFICATON AGREEMENT

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION TODAY ISSUED THE FOLLOWING
PRESS RELEASE: BEGIN QUOTE: TODAY (THURSDAY) THE COMMISSION HAS
NOTIFIED THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA) IN
VIENNA THAT THE ALL NECESSARY STEPS HAVE NOW BEEN TAKEN BY
THE COMMUNITY FOR THE IAEA/EURATOM AGREEMENT TO COME INTO
FORCE. THE SEVEN MEMBER STATES (BELGIUM, DENMARK, THE FEDERAL
REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, IRELAND, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, THE NETHERLANDS)
WHICH ARE, WITH EURATOM, PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT WILL ALSO
NOTIFY THE IAEA INDIVIDUALLY THAT THE STEPS NECESSARY FOR THE
ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THIS AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

THIS MARKS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN DEVELOPING COOPERATION BETWEEN
THE COMMUNITY AND THE IAEA ON NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS AND
CONTROLS. THE LONG ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY SAFEGUARD
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SYSTEM THROUGH EURATOM WILL HENCEFORTH BE INTEGRATED
INTO THE WORLD-WIDE SYSTEM OF CONTROLS NOW OPERATED BY
THE IAEA. THE COMMISSION IS HOPEFUL THAT IT WILL CONTRIBUTE
TOWARDS INSURING AN UNIMPEDED AND STEADY DELIVERY
OF FISSIONABLE MATERIAL. IT ALSO HAS IMPLICATIONS FOR
THE COMMUNITY'S NEGOTIATIONS ON THE UP-DATING OF THE
EURATOM/CANADA AGREEMENT OF 1959.

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THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE IAEA, EURATOM AND THE SEVEN MEMBER STATES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY (NPT) WAS SIGNED ON APRIL 5, 1973. ARTICLE 25 OF THAT AGREEMENT SAID IT WOULD COME INTO FORCE ONLY WHEN CERTAIN INTERNAL PROCEDURES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY HAD BEEN WORKED OUT. THE COUNCIL APPROVED THE AGREEMENT IN SEPTEMBER 1973. THE COMMISSION THEN BEGAN WORKING OUT THE REGULATION NECESSARY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT. THIS REGULATION WAS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL IN OCTOBER 1976.

A COMMISSION PROPOSAL IN JULY LAST YEAR SUGGESTING THE COUNCIL SHOULD ADOPT A COMMUNITY REGULATION DIRECTLY APPLICABLE TO ALL THE INSTALLATIONS CONCERNED RAN INTO DIFFICULTIES.
THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE COMMUNITY CONCLUDED A SEPARATE AGREEMENT WITH THE IAEA IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR WHICH IS IN LINE WITH THE AGREEMENT NOW CONCLUDED FOR THE SEVEN MEMBER STATES.

THE AGREEMENT COMES INTO FORCE ON THE DATE THE NOTIFICATIONS ARRIVE AT THE IAEA. END QUOTE.MORRIS

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